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Dear Jim, Dear

I'd told you that I'd mislaid the very useful Posner computer printouts and I had but this morning I came on them. Remembering you told me the notes were Linda Hunt's I checked the file and found that the letter I wrote her ~~after~~ before reading her great book was returned, apparently also after forwarding to University Park. So, it is enclosed, and will you please send it to her? And give me her address?

I've just received a few copies of Selections from Whitewash. You and J, don't buy it. I'll be getting more and sending you copies.

If you've gotten any more on Posner I'd like to see it, thanks.

And that letter you promised about his doubts about his title.

I've just discovered the reason for the delay in the retyping of the ms.: the fine woman doing it has access to that computer only two days a week..

They distribute through Publishers Group West, which dhes distrubute a large volume of books. Its president phoned me before Xmas. He is enthusiastic about it. Turns out he is the one who tipped the S.F. Chronicle's book reviewer off to the Failure Analysis actualities. He agreed that at least the proofs should be available for when the NBC-TV miniseries is aired in February. Does not look like ~~it~~ they will be now. If you've heard any more about that mini-series I'd like to know.

The local opthalmalogist recommended that Lil start having her cataracts removed. She decided to procede with it. She has the preliminary tests this coming week, he sees her again the fith and he does the work the 14th. He also referred me back to the chief of cornneal suggery at Johns Hopkins to decide whether to remove the now I believe over-ripe cataract from my poorer ~~ye~~ eye because of my blood-clotting problem. I'll be driven ther 2/8 for that examination. I believe the reason is that if it is not done now I'll have no vision if anything happens to the other eye. The decision is risk-balancing. Last time I was not admitted as an eye patient. I was the patient of the hematologist. I was hospitalized five days for that outpatient surgery and under restrictions for three months. While I do not anticipate anything like that now, I am ever so much weaker and won't know until it is done. So, I want to do all I can before then.

Pepper's Lloyd Jowers concoction seems to have died the natural death it deserved. I've heard nothing further. The reporter who was here for two days did not send me the story she'd promised to send us both and I've heard nothing furt her. But if there was more perhaps I'll get it. I have a source in Nashville who is on vacation.

Our best, and thanks,

Harold